Unit No.1 The Saviour of Mankind

1) What type of land Arabia is?

Ans. Arabia is a land of unparalleled charm and beauty, with its trackless deserts of sand dunes in the dazzling rays of very hot sun.

2) Why was the Holy Quran sent in Arabic?

Ans. Since Arabic was comprehensive and fully functional language that's why Holy Quran was sent in Arabic.

3) For which ability were the Arabs famous?

Ans. The Arabs were famous for their remarkable memory and eloquence.

4) What was the condition of mankind before the Holy Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)?

Ans. Mankind stood on the verge of chaos. The civilization had started crumbling. It had fallen victim to wrong beliefs, social evils, cruelty and injustice.

5) Why did the Holy Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) stay in the cave of Hira?

Ans. Holy Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) stayed in the cave of Hira for meditation and spent days and weeks in remembrance of Allah Almighty.

6) What was the first revelation?

Ans. Read in the name of thy Lord Who created; created man from a clot (of congealed blood): Read and thy Lord is most Bountiful, Who taught (the use of) the pen, taught man that which he knew not.

7) Why did the pagan Arabs threaten the Holy Prophet's (صلى الله عليه وسلم) uncle?

Ans. Since the belief of Oneness of God (Tauheed) was threatening the dominance of the Pagan Arabs in the society, that's why they threatened the Holy Prophet's (صلى الله عليه وسلم) uncle.

8) What did Hazrat Ayesha (RA) say about the life of the Holy Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)?

Ans. She said, "His morals and characters are the embodiment of the Holy Quran."

Unit No.2 Patriotism

1) How will you define patriotism?

Ans. Patriotism means love for the motherland or devotion to one's own country.

2) What are the qualities of a patriot?

Ans. A patriot loves his country and is always willing to sacrifice for it, when the need arises.

3) As a citizen of Pakistan what are your duties towards your country?

Ans. As a citizen of Pakistan my first and foremost duty to my country is loyalty to it. I should always be willing to sacrifice my life for the freedom and honour of my country. I should work hard for the progress and prosperity of my country.

4) What makes us stay alert in the wake of foreign invasion?

Ans. It is the spirit of patriotism that makes us stay alert in the wake of foreign invasion.

5) How will you elaborate Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah's quote? "We must develop a sense of patriotism galvanize us all into one united and strong nation?"

Ans. If we develop a sense of patriotism we shall not fall prey to disunity, disharmony, provincialism and disintegration. They spirit of patriotism will keep us united and strong.

Unit No.3 Media and Its Impact

1) What is the most important function that media performs?

Ans. It raises awareness about many social issues like corruption, terrorism, drug addiction and violation of human rights. It has also become the mouthpiece of the downtrodden.

2) What are the two major means of communication?

Ans. Electronic media and print media are the two major means of communication.

3) How does media provide entertainment?

Ans. Media provides entertainment via radio, television and internet. Media entertainment includes films, dramas, music, sports and talk shows.

4) What happens when media is allowed to play its role unchecked?

Ans. If media is allowed to play its role unchecked, it may spread false news.

5) What is the difference between electronic media and print media?

Ans. Film, radio, television and internet are included in electronic media while books, magazines and newspapers are included in print media.

6) Give three reasons in support of your favourite T.V. programme.

Ans. The National Geographic is a well known documentary programme on wildlife and nature. I like this programme very much because it focuses mainly on the ever changing world, on wild life and on nature and people that colour it with.

Unit No.4 Hazrat Asma (R.A)

1) What happened when Abu Jehl asked about Hazrat Abu Bakr?

Ans. When Abu Jehl asked Hazrat Abu Bakr (R.A) about her father's where was her father, she counter questioned him, "How would I know?" This infuriated Abu Jehl. He slapped Hazrat Asma's (R.A) face so hard that her ear-ring fell off. She faced him bravely and did not reveal the secret.

2) Why was Hazrat Abu Quhafa (R.A) worried?

Ans. Hazrat Abu Quhafa (R.A) was worried that Hazrat Abu Bakr (R.A) had taken all the wealth with him leaving him and children empty handed and helpless.

3) How did Hazrat Asma (R.A) console her grandfather?

Ans. Hazrat Asma (R.A) immediately gathered some pebbles and put them at the place where her father used to keep his money and jewels and covered them with a piece of cloth. She called her grand-father and told him that her father had left all that for us. He touched the cloth and his concern was alleviated. In this way, Hazrat Asma (R.A) consoled her grand-father.

4) Who was Hazrat Abdullah bin Zubair (R.A)?

Ans. Hazrat Abdullah bin Zubair (R.A) was son of Hazrat Asma (R.A).

5) What message do you get from the life of Hazrat Asma (R.A)?

Ans. The message we get from the life of Hazrat Asma (R.A) is that one should live a life of bravery, truthfulness, piety, generosity and patience.

6) "Her life would always be a beacon of light for all of us." How?

Ans. Hazrat Asma (R.A) was an embodiment of bravery, generosity and patience. She had resolute faith in Allah Almighty and always showed patience in sufferings and hardships. Therefore, her life would always be a beacon of light for all of us.

7) Which incident in the story showed Hazrat Asma's (R.A) love and respect for the Propher (ﷺ)?

Ans. The role of Hazrat Asma (R.A) played at the time of the migration of the Holy Prophet (SAW) showed her love and respect for the Holy Prophet (ﷺ). Disbelievers of Makkah were bent upon taking the life of the Prophet (SAW) and were looking for him. She risked her life and supplied food to Holy Prophet (ﷺ) in the cave of Thaur courageously.

8) Which incident in the story tells about the generosity of Hazrat Asma (R.A)?

Ans. When Hazrat Asma (R.A) inherited a garden after the death of her sister Hazrat Ayesha (R.A), she sold it and gave away all the money among the poor and the needy. This incident tells about the generosity of Hazrat Asma (R.A).

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Unit No.5 Daffodils

1) What do the daffodils represent in the poem?

Ans. Daffodils represent nature and its impact on human beings.

2) What is the central idea of the poem?

Ans. The central idea of the poem is that it represents before us not only the attractive and exciting beauty of nature but also the purifying and enduring impact of it on human beings.

3) What "wealth" do memories of the scene give to the poet?

Ans. It is about moments in our life that we replay in our memories.

4) List the words that heighten the sound effect in the poem.

Ans. Vales and hills, sprightly dance, jocund company.

5) How has the poet heightened the impact of the poem by using the figurative language?

Ans. The poet has heightened the impact of the poem by using figurative language such as "they stretched in never ending line" and "ten thousand saw I at a glance".

Unit No.6 The Quaid's Vision and Pakistan

1) How much confidence did Quaid-e-Azam have in his nation?

Ans. The Quaid-e-Azam had a great, deep and strong confidence in his nation.

2) What was the Quaid's concept of our nation?

Ans. The Quaid's concept of our nation was that we are one nation on the basis of religion and culture.

3) What was the ideology of Pakistan in view of Quaid-e-Azam?

Ans. The ideology of the Quaid-e-Azam was based on the pivot of the Muslim unity and oneness as a nation.

4) What can be the possible solution to our present problems?

Ans. The possible solution to our problems is that we should not fall prey to fatal diseases of disunity, disharmony and disintegration. We should pay heed to the Quaid's warnings and advice.

5) How can we become a strong nation?

Ans. We can become a strong nation if we start to think beyond personal, local, linguistic, ethnic, sectarian or provincial identities and prejudices.

6) What would the Quaid feel to see the present condition of the country and the nation?

Ans. He would have been extremely grief-stricken to see that his nation is falling prey to fatal diseases of disunity, disharmony and disintegration.

7) What does love of our country demand from us?

Ans. The love of our country demands from us that we should think beyond our personal motives and make Pakistan a strong and prosperous state.

8) What is the result of neglecting the advice of the Quaid-e-Azam?

Ans. We swiftly fell victim to fatal diseases of disunity, disharmony and disintegration.

Unit No.7 The Sultan Ahmad Mosque

1) Why the Sultan Ahmad Mosque is also known as the Blue Mosque?

Ans. The Sultan Ahmad Mosque is known as the blue Mosque because of the blue tiles that embellish its interior.

2) Who was appointed as the architect of the mosque?

Ans. Sedefhar Mehmat Aga was appointed the royal architect of the mosque.

3) Why was a heavy iron chain hung at the entrance of the court?

Ans. A heavy iron chain was hung at the entrance of the court, so that the Sultan had to lower his head every time he entered the court, as it was the symbolic gesture, to ensure the humility of the ruler in the face of the divine.

4) How does interior of the mosque look?

Ans. The interior of the Mosque is embellished with blue tiles, which gives its interior an attractive look.

5) Why do you think Madrassah and hospice was part of the mosque?

Ans. Madrassah was for the students who came to acquire Islamic religious education and the hospice was for the needy and the destitute.

6) Who constructed Mosque Sophia?

Ans. The Hagia Sophia Mosque was constructed by an Ottoman Caliph.

7) What does the 'Royal Kiosk' mean?

Ans. A Royal Kiosk was a small separate room built in the Mosque for the exclusive use of a Turkish sultan.

Unit No.8 Stopping By Woods on A Snowy Evening

1) Who is the speaker in the poem?

Ans. The speaker in the poem is the horse rider.

2) Whom does the speaker refer to in the first stanza of the poem?

Ans. The speaker refers to the owner of the woods.

3) Why does the speaker stop on 'the darkest evening of the year'?

Ans. He thinks to stop on the darkest evening of the year because the woods are lovely, dark and deep.

4) Why does the horse impatiently await the next move of his master?

Ans. The horse impatiently awaits the next move of his master as there is no farm house nearby. We would not be able to get any food. He is also fearful that he might have made some stake.

5) The speaker in the poem is captivated by the beauty of nature. Why doesn't he stop for long to enjoy nature's beauty?

Ans. He is captivated by the beauty of the dark, deep and lovely woods but he has promises to keep that is to say that he has some worldly tasks to accomplish. Therefore, he does not stop there for long.

Unit No.9 All is not Lost

1) Why did the nurse ask Hira's sister to come and talk to her?

Ans. Hira had severe bus-accident. She had received severe head and spinal injuries. The nurse tried to do several exercises on her lifeless arms but in vain. She made her younger sister to come and talk to her, thinking that her voice might activate her sister's nearly dead neurons and brain.

2) Why did the nurse disagree with the doctor's point of view?

Ans. The nurse did not agree with the doctor's point of view that Hira was a hopeless case and would never walk again in life, thinking that it was unwise to leave a patient unattended. Life is very precious; a chance should be given to a patient.

3) Why did the nurse ask herself the question: "Was it worthwhile to oppose and fight the decision of senior and more qualified surgeons?

Ans. The patient was a hopeless case in the eyes of the surgeons and they wanted to get the bed cleared for other patients. The nurse requested the senior doctors to let her stay in the I.C.U. and allow her to attend to the patient. Her request was conceded to. She had risked her career for a hopeless case. She also thought it would not be worthwhile to oppose the senior surgeons, if the patient could not walk on her own feet.

4) Describe some qualities of the personality of the nurse in the story.

Ans. She is a beginner in the profession of nursing. She is working in the I.C.U. of neurology. She is very sincere to her profession. She is so kind-hearted that she feels the pains of the injured. She is a wise nurse and uses every kind of devices to make patients recover. She is an optimist. She is always ready to fight a lost war. She is proud of her profession.

5) Why did the Nurse say: "Where there is a will, there is a way"?

Ans. She said so because she proved it practically that a hopeless patient could be cured if you are willing to fight a lost war.

Unit No.10 Drug and Addiction

1) What are the effects of drug addiction?

Ans. Long term use of drugs causes permanent mental and physical sickness.

2) What are the causes of drug addiction?

Ans. Drug addiction is caused by genetic and environmental factors.

3) What important role do rehabilitation centres play in controlling drug addiction?

Ans. The rehabilitation centres play an important role in controlling drug addition by providing the addicts proper guidance and treatment.

4) What is the role of counseling in preventing drug addiction?

Ans. The factor that contributes in rehabilitation of the drug victim is proper counseling. The sooner it is done, the better for the victim.

5) Why do families feel reluctant to take the drug victims to drug rehabilitation centres?

Ans. Because of fear being outcast the families of the drug victims feel reluctant to take them to drug rehabilitation centres.

6) What are the responsibilities of the families to ensure complete recovery of such patients?

Ans. Doctors, family and friends must continue to critically watch and counsel the victim for better motivation and adjustment.

Unit No.11 Noise in the Environment

1) How do you define noise pollution?

Ans. Noise pollution is defined as any form of noise that disrupts the normal functioning of life.

2) How is transport a source of noise pollution?

Ans. Excessive use of vehicle horns is a main source of noise pollution. Airplanes, trains and ships are also sources of noise pollution for people living in colonies near airports and railway stations.

3) How is construction work a cause of noise pollution?

Ans. The transport and equipment used at construction sites, its grilling and piercing sound is cause of noise pollution.

4) How is use of technology causing noise pollution?

Ans. Technology based things produce damaging sound, which is freely audible. Thus, the use of technology is causing noise pollution.

5) Why is noise dangerous for human health?

Ans. Noise is dangerous for human health, as it has a negative impact on it. It can cause conditions such as aggression, high blood of pressure, hearing loss, restlessness, depression, insomnia and anxiety.

6) What kind of precautions may reduce noise coming from electronic devices?

Ans. Listening to loud music or watching TV on a loud volume should be strictly prohibited. Excessive use of electricity generators and loud speaker in residential areas should also be discouraged. The government of Pakistan should frame rules in this regard and strictly enforce them to reduce noise pollution.

Unit No.12 Three Days to See

1) Who was Helen Keller?

Ans. Helen Keller was a great English writer, who became deaf and blind at the age of 19 months.

2) Describe the thought expressed by the author in the first paragraph.

Ans. The author thought that it would be an excellent rule to live each day as if we should die tomorrow. Such an attitude would emphasize the values of life.

3) What makes you feel that the author is sad and depressed?

Ans. The author is sad and depressed that the people with sight can see so little. She is a blind, even so she can see better than people with sight.

4) How do you get an impression that she was a great admirer of Nature?

Ans. She was a great admirer of nature. We get this impression that when she admires the rising sun and the pageant of seasons and trees.

5) People who are deprived of sight are not devoid of imagination. Discuss referring to the text.

Ans. The author of this lesson is not only blind but also deaf but she had better imagination than the people who can see. Her views on nature and people have proved it.

6) "To me the pageant of seasons is an unending drama". Comment.

Ans. This sentence tells that the change in the seasons is endless. This is the law of nature.